

# Highters Heath Community School

## Newsletter

**Friday 24<sup>th</sup> April 2026**

### Dates for your Diary

**Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> April –  
Year 4 visit to  
Tamworth Castle**

**Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> May –  
Year 1 visit to the  
Birmingham  
Conservation Park**

**Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> June  
– Friday 19<sup>th</sup> June –  
Year 6 Residential**

**Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> June –  
Animal Man to visit  
Reception and Year 1**

**Friday 26<sup>th</sup> June –  
Year 2 visit to Weston**

**Friday 26<sup>th</sup> June –  
Speak Up, Speak Out  
competition**

**Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July –  
Sports Day**

**Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> July –  
Reception  
Teddybears Picnic**

**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July –  
Year 6 Leavers  
Assembly**

**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July –  
School closes for the  
summer holidays at  
the normal time of  
3.15pm**

**Monday 20<sup>th</sup> July –  
Teacher Training Day**

**Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup>  
September – school  
reopens**

### Message from the Executive Headteacher

This week Mrs Leighton has been meeting with the children from each class to ask them about their learning in Geography and History lessons. The children were all really enthusiastic about their learning and were able to recall many facts and interesting information about what they had learnt so far. Mrs Leighton was extremely impressed and it is lovely to know the children are really enjoying their learning and will come into school with extra work after doing their own research with many of you at home. Well done everyone – a brilliant end to the week.

As always if you have any questions or queries, please contact the school office using the enquiry email.

[enquiry@hightersheath.excelsiormat.org](mailto:enquiry@hightersheath.excelsiormat.org)

Thank you for your continued support,  
Mrs Aulton

### Bank Holiday Monday

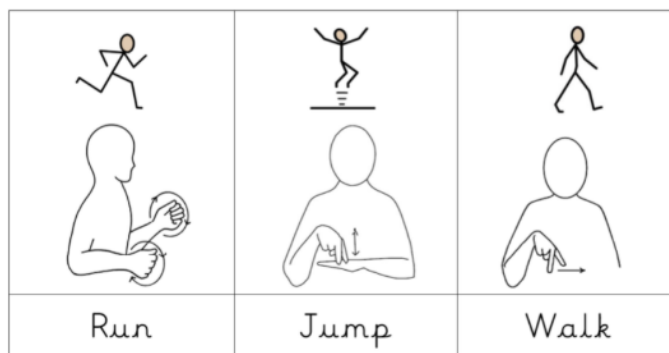
Please can we remind all parents that Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May is a Bank Holiday and school will be closed for the day. We will reopen on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> May with the doors opening at the normal time of 8.45am.

### Summer Fair Donations

It's that time of year again when we are beginning our preparations for this year's summer fair. Of course our success is reliant on kind donations and we need your help. If you have any bric a brac for our tombola, teddy bears and unused items for our raffle please feel free to bring them into school via the school office. All items would be gratefully received – thank you.

### Makaton News

Did you know that this weekend is the London Marathon? Can you learn this week's sporting signs for run, jump and walk. I wonder how many miles we could each run for?



## Spotlight on attendance



Children's attendance at school is an important part of safeguarding. It is vital that school knows who is absent and why every day. To support us with our safeguarding duties, please phone school every day that your child is absent.

Even if you have phoned us on the first day of absence, we require you to notify us each day of any further absences.

If we do not hear from you, we will contact you ourselves and if we are unable to establish a reason for your child's absence, we will carry out a home visit.

We politely request that you notify us of your child's absence by phone call, not email, and that you do this before 9.15am.

If you have any worries or concerns about your child's attendance, please see Mrs Lindsay via the school office.

### Headteacher Award Winners

This term's winners are:

Reception	Rahmah and Mawa
Year 1	Annabelle and Khalid
Year 2	Shiza and Kayden
Year 3	Winner and Winner
Year 4	Esme and Muhammad Huzaifa
Year 5	Subhan and Maryam
Year 6	Lydia and Macey

Congratulations to everyone who won a Headteacher's Award this week.

### House Points

Well done to everyone receiving house points this week. The winners are...

<b>Apollo</b> 12857	<b>Mercury</b> 11931	<b>Neptune</b> 12161	<b>Pegasus</b> 12019
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Well done to **Apollo** for achieving the most house points this week.

### Hot Chocolate Friday Winners

Congratulations this week go to:

Reception	Sara
Year 1	Annabelle
Year 2	Setayesh
Year 3	Winner
Year 4	Eden
Year 5	Phoebe
Year 6	Harry

I look forward to meeting even more children who have gone above and beyond and have been nominated for this award.



### Attendance

Well done to everyone who has tried really hard with their attendance this week. As always, school attendance is important for your child, both in terms of their education as well as for their well-being and life opportunities.

Our attendance this week

Reception	88.1%
Year 1	95.5%
Year 2	85.6%
Year 3	94.0%
Year 4	88.8%
Year 5	93.1%
<b>Year 6</b>	<b>97.8%</b>
Whole School	92.1%

Please can you ensure your child attends every day where possible and is on time for school – doors close at 8.55am.